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HAPPENINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Rev. L. D. Geiger, D.D., of Apopka, is visiting in the city.

Mr. J. Harvey Phillips, of Tampa, is spending a few days in Ocala.

Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Lindsay are staying with Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Anderson temporarily.

Messrs. T. E. Biggs, William Hocker and Edwin Davis were recent visitors to Inverness attending the circuit court.

The executive committee of the Florida Retail Merchants and Grocers Association will meet in this city Monday the 18th and will possibly be in session here three or four days.

John B. Cortero, formerly of this city, but now a resident of Jacksonville, who is representing the state retail merchants organization, is here in the interest of the same.

Mr. R. L. Harper, formerly at the head of our job department, but now representing the Florida labor union, is visiting in the city and was a very pleasant caller at our office yesterday.

Miss Sara Fraser, of Saginaw, Mich., who has been spending the winter and spring in Ocala, the guest of Mrs. R. G. Blake, left yesterday to spend the summer in New York with relatives.

T. W. Smith & Company, the west side hardware firm, have taken the agency for the New Barrett cooking stoves in this section. This stove is built on a new principle which will be published in a few days. See their ad in another column.

Mr. Ralph Edwards, of the Jacksonville Industrial Record, was a caller at this office yesterday. The object of his visit to Ocala was to attend the Chambliss cattle sale, a full account of which will appear in the next issue of the Industrial Record.

Col. and Mrs. H. C. Avery, who have been spending the greater part of the winter and spring in Ocala, will leave today for their Massachusetts home. On their way up they will stop over in Jacksonville, Atlanta, Aiken, Richmond and other points. They are so well pleased with our city, climate and people that they will return next winter.

Mr. Frank A. Walpole, for a number of years editor of the Palmetto News, afterwards editor of the Tampa Herald and who for the past few months has been in Alabama, has returned to Florida and has purchased the Palmetto Record and will take charge of the same today. Florida journalism is glad to welcome Mr. Walpole back to his first love.

Sayne G. Cromarty, colored, who has for several years has been postmaster at Atlas, Alachua county, is now in jail here, having been committed, after a hearing before United States Commissioner, D. S. Williams, on charges of embezzling money order funds, postal funds, postage stamps and also the larceny of \$100 in cash, sent him for delivery to another party.

Maj. R. G. Wright, of Oxford, was among the large number who attended the Chambliss cattle sale yesterday. The Major has just returned from Cuba, where he has been visiting for several weeks and had a most enjoyable time.

Mrs. C. E. Taylor has returned from a trip to Palatka via the Ocklawaha river, where she went in company with her sister, Miss Edith Wilson and her two guests, Miss Kemp, of New Berlin, Fla., and Miss Puckett, of Nacoochee, Ga.

Special Notice.

The next visit to Ocala of Dr. E. T. Allen, the eye, ear, nose and throat surgeon of Tampa will be Thursday April 28th, Montezuma Hotel.

Ocala "Band of Mercy."

The Ocala Band of Mercy met Saturday afternoon at the Armory at four o'clock. The meeting was very largely attended and was a very interesting one.

The meeting opened with the roll call after which the hymn "Onward Christian Soldiers," was sung. The president of the organization, Rev. H. W. Little, then offered up a prayer following it with a few introductory remarks, which were both appropriate and pleasing. He said words in praise of the organization and of the great interest manifested in the work by the members and of the untiring devotion to the cause by Miss E. Tatham, the organizer of the order in this city.

Mr. Little next presented badges to twelve new members.

A reading entitled "The Bear Story" by James Whitcomb Riley, read by Mr. Jake Gerig, greatly pleased the children.

A piece of exquisite needlework was raffled, the number being drawn by Master Charles Cullen, the youngest member of the Band of Mercy. The number drawn was eleven and the lucky holder of the duplicate being Mrs. F. A. Teague.

Then came the presentation of the prizes for the best essays on "Kingliness," which had been offered to the children by Miss Tatham. The prizes were appropriate books and were donated by different friends of the band.

Usher Norwood received the first prize, Laura Norwood, the second and Hope Robinson the third.

Margaret Anderson, Dorothy Schreiber, Victor Little and Christine Little also received prizes as encouragement for the great interest they are showing in the work.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Capt. Nash and the Ocala Rifles for the free use of the Armory; also to the Ocala press, the Star and the Banner for their courtesy and words of encouragement and commendation, and to Miss Tatham the thanks of the band was extended for her interest in the work.

The interesting meeting closed with the singing of "America" by the entire audience.

Serious Accident

As Mr. Allen Rodgers was returning last night from the political speaking at Eureka, when passing the brow of the hill at the Schaffer place, he collided with Mr. Sands, superintendent of the telephone system, who was riding his bicycle and going in the direction of Silver Springs.

The night was dark, Mr. Sands was carrying no lantern, and ran with great force into Mr. Rodgers' team; the mules were badly frightened, and the unfortunate bicyclist fell under their heels and was badly trampled; his nose was broken, and he received several ugly gashes in the face, and it is a miracle that he escaped with his life.

As soon as the mules could be quieted the unfortunate gentleman was picked up, placed in the wagon, and brought to the city and taken to the hospital where his wounds were dressed by Dr. Hood.

Besides receiving the injuries above described Mr. Sands' bicycle was badly smashed.

As soon as his wounds were dressed he was seen on the streets and says that he received no internal injuries.

Bowling Alley Changes Hands.

Mr. Hampton S. Chambers has purchased the bowling alley from Messrs. Strauss & Company, the trade having been consummated Friday afternoon.

The new proprietor contemplates making several changes and improvements and will strive to make it especially an attractive rendezvous for the ladies and to that end is going to give handsome prizes to those making the best scores at the tournaments which he will arrange on special days every week during the summer season.

In Compliment to Miss Blair.

Auction sales for the past few weeks have been quite the fad in Ocala. The latest auction was the "auction sale of parcels" yesterday afternoon at which Misses Sara and Violet Harris entertained a few of their friends for Miss Emily Ford's guest, Miss Helen Blair, of Cincinnati, O.

The sale took place at four o'clock on the lawn and was quite amusing. Each guest was given a small bag of beans, which were used for money, lima beans being valued at \$20; Boston beans \$10; brown beans, \$5; peas, 25 cents.

Miss Violet Harris acted as auctioneer. She bids fair to out rival Mr. Phillips, the real estate auctioneer, and Col. Edmondson, the cattle auctioneer. Miss Harris was secretary and treasurer. The bidding was rapid and spirited and it was not long before the parcels had been disposed of, twenty-five in all.

After the sale each guest was given a slip of paper bearing her name. All of the slips were then put into a box and one name drawn therefrom and to her was given the "free parcel," a box of candy. Miss Blair drew the slip which contained the name of Mrs. Watson.

The following is a list of some of the articles auctioned: "A sure cure for that tired feeling," This was a large sized pill box containing a tiny canister. The following prescription was on the box: No. 80,000, Dr. Powers. Take all day if necessary. Knocked down to Miss Blair for \$10,000.

Another article was a pound of "butter", this being a small goat, done up in a butter tray. Knocked down to Mrs. Gerig for \$20.

A "mitten" represented the bachelor's secret while the "old maid's secret" was a broken heart (candy). The first was bought by Mrs. Liddon for \$3,000 and the latter by Miss Wentworth for \$1,000.

"Heavenly Twins," two tiny dolls. "Something Nice to Have for a Moonlight ride on Silver Springs," a small canoe.

"Where Love is Found", a small dictionary.

"After Lat," a very dilapidated umbrella.

"A souvenir from the grave of the only woman a man is commanded to remember except his own wife," a tiny bag of salt with the card attached: "Remember Lot's wife."

A "tropical plant" was represented by a piece of rubber in a flower pot.

"The Light that Failed," a burned out electric light.

After the auction lemon ice and cake was served and the remainder of the afternoon was spent very pleasantly.

Miss Ford's Dance.

Another delightful event of Easter week in Ocala was the dance given Thursday night by Miss Emily Ford in honor of her popular and attractive guest, Miss Helen Blair, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

The guests present were Miss Blair, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Miller, Mrs. G. R. McKean, Misses Mary Little, Georgia Smith, Mona Hiller, Hattie Dye, Sara Harris, Esther Weathers, Violet Harris and Mary Reardon, Messrs. J. H. Taylor, W. D. Taylor, C. L. Anderson, W. H. Workman, M. J. Roess, Stephen Jewett, J. H. Mathews, O. B. Howse, W. T. Wheeler, S. E. Hiller, T. H. Harris, Sanford Jewett, Dr. H. C. Dozier and George Ford.

The Ford home is a lovely place for entertaining and the dancing in the reception hall and dining room was greatly enjoyed, Mr. Leon Fishel furnishing the music.

The large veranda was converted into a sitting room and was used between the dances. Punch was served on the veranda and later in the evening cake and strawberry ice was served.

Miss Ford's party was an informal and exceedingly pleasant one and her guests showed what a good time they were having by remaining until after the midnight hour.

The Presbyterian Manse Burned.

The Presbyterian Manse on Fort King avenue just next to the church, was totally destroyed by fire at four o'clock Wednesday morning. The exact origin of the fire is not known, but as the kitchen was burned first, it is thought that it caught from the stove.

When the occupants of the Manse were awakened almost the entire house was enveloped in flames and they were stifling. Their escape was a very narrow one. The youngest children's bedroom was a mass of flames and in a very few minutes they would have been cut off from escape.

The fire had gained such a terrific headway that it was absolutely impossible to extinguish the flames although the firemen worked heroically.

In the house at the time of the fire were the four Lindsay children, Mrs. Lindsay's sister, Mrs. Straughn and her two children, Mrs. Ennride and Messrs. J. H. Workman and A. C. McCall, who boarded there. Dr. and Mrs. Lindsay were absent having gone to Palatka to attend the Presbytery.

The Manse was a lovely place and its destruction is a great loss. Fortunately, however, the loss is entirely covered by insurance.

Dr. Lindsay's household and personal effects were not insured and a great many were completely destroyed.

The Old Maids' Convention.

At the armory last night the Old Maids' Convention was presented by local talent to a fairly good audience.

The play was under the direction of Miss Hattie Jones, of Kentucky, and the result of her training was most excellent.

Miss Gertrude Poyser as president of the convention and Miss Eloyse Lazar as secretary were excellent and Mrs. J. R. Moorehead, Mrs. B. T. Perdue, Misses Pauline Sullivan, Jessie Palmer, Sara Whitfield, Lou Moody, Sue Anderson, Annie Atkinson, Edna Dozier, Edna Jeffords and a number of others who were delegates to the convention, attracted their parts most admirably.

Mr. John Mathews took the part of Professor Make-Over and made the Old Maids' all young and beautiful by grinding them through a machine, each one coming out a young and beautiful girl.

This was a new version of this amusing and popular play and took well with the audience as shown by the frequent laughter and applause.

In Honor of Visitors.

Misses Louise Scott and Alice Bullock spent the week-end with Miss Catharine Hampton at Gainesville, returning Saturday. On Friday evening their hostess complimented them with a party speaking of which the Gainesville Sun of Sunday says:

"Miss Hampton entertained a select party of friends Friday evening at the home of her parents, Hon. and Mrs. W. W. Hampton, 401 Church street, in honor of Misses Bullock and Scott, two charming young ladies of Ocala, who are visiting Miss Hampton."

"The evening was passed in a manner appropriate, and the visiting young ladies had the opportunity of meeting many of the young society folk of Gainesville."

"Misses Bullock and Scott are two Ocala's fairest young ladies. They have made many friends during their visit here who will regret their departure home."

Daughters Entertained.

The Daughters of the Confederacy were entertained at their regular monthly meeting Friday evening by Mrs. N. Gottlieb. The meeting was a most pleasant one, quite a number of the members being present. After the regular business had been transacted refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by little Miss Nellie Gottlieb, Alta Pearson, Irma Blake and Marguerite Porter.

Will be Married Monday.

Mr. William A. Hughey, of the Jacksonville Terminal Company, and Miss Marcelle Pons, of this city will be married at high noon Monday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Pons on South Fourth street. The ceremony will be witnessed by only the family and a few friends.

Mr. Hughey is a prominent young man of Jacksonville and Miss Pons is a pretty and attractive young lady and is the granddaughter of the late state treasurer, Frank J. Pons. She has only lived in Ocala for a short while, but has made a number of friends during her short residence in Ocala.

This paper extends its best wishes to the young couple in advance.

Quick Payment of Fire Loss.

Mr. D. W. Davis represents the German American Fire Insurance Co., of New York, in this city, and it was in this company that the Presbyterian manse, which was destroyed by fire yesterday morning at 4 o'clock, was insured. As soon as possible after the fire Mr. Davis wired his company of the loss, and at 11 o'clock he received the following from W. L. Reynolds, general manager of the company: "Adjust loss on parsonage promptly. Will pay loss in cash without discount."

Record: Fire, 4:30 a. m.; loss paid before close of banking hours same day; Desk on deck for more business before night.

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By Foley's Honey and Tar. I stop the racking cough and heave and strengthen the lungs. It takes in time it will prevent an attack of pneumonia. Refuse substitutes. Post-office Drug Store.

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CONDENSED STATEMENT of the Condition of the COMMERCIAL BANK, JACKSONVILLE, FLA. At the close of business, March 25, 1904.	
RESOURCES.	
Loans, discounts and mortgages	\$25,000.00
Overdrafts	2,447.27
Bonds and stocks	87,000.00
Real Estate	9,450.00
Furniture and fixtures	8,427.54
Due from banks	123,017.75
Cash on hand	51,104.79
Total	\$250,446.25
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock	\$250,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits	11,000.00
Deposits	530,446.25
Total	\$791,446.25
H. ROBINSON, President. H. GAILLARD, Cashier.	

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